1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT 9 FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA 10 WILLIAM EMERSON TOWNSEND, 11 Petitioner, 2:03-cv-0520-GEB-PAN-P 12 VS. 13 MICHAEL KNOWLES, Warden, 14 Respondent. ORDER 15 16 Petitioner, a state prisoner proceeding pro se, has timely filed a notice of appeal of 17 this court's June 5, 2006, denial of his application for a writ of habeas corpus. Before petitioner 18 can appeal this decision, a certificate of appealability must issue. 28 U.S.C. § 2253(c); Fed. R. 19 App. P. 22(b). 20 A certificate of appealability may issue under 28 U.S.C. § 2253 "only if the 21 applicant has made a substantial showing of the denial of a constitutional right." 28 U.S.C. 22 § 2253(c)(2). The court must either issue a certificate of appealability indicating which issues 23 satisfy the required showing or must state the reasons why such a certificate should not issue. 24 Fed. R. App. P. 22(b). 25 ///// ///// 26

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For the reasons set forth in the magistrate judge's April 21, 2006, findings and recommendations, petitioner has not made a substantial showing of the denial of a constitutional right. Accordingly, a certificate of appealability should not issue in this action.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: April 20, 2007

GARLAND E. BURRELL, JR. United States District Judge